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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, DECEMBER 20, 2000

APPLICATION OF

TIGER NATURAL GAS, INC.

CASE NO. PUE000487

For a license to conduct
business as a competitive
service provider in
natural gas retail access
pilot programs

ORDER GRANTING LICENSE

On October 2, 2000, Tiger Natural Gas, Inc. ("Tiger" or "Company"), filed an application for licensure to conduct business as a competitive service provider. The application was completed with amendments to the application filed October 10, 2000 and November 9, 2000. The Company states that it proposes to provide competitive natural gas service in the retail access pilot programs of Washington Gas Light Company ("WGL") and Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc. ("CGV").

On November 9, 2000, the Commission issued its Order for Notice and Comment, establishing the case, requiring that notice of the application be published, providing for the receipt of comments from the public, and requiring the Commission's Staff to analyze the reasonableness of Tiger's application and present

its findings in a Staff Report to be filed on or before December 8, 2000.

The Company filed proof of publication of its notice on November 29, 2000. No comments from the public on Tiger's application were received.

The Staff filed its Report on December 7, 2000, concerning Tiger's fitness to provide competitive natural gas service. The Staff concluded that Tiger satisfies the financial and technical fitness requirements for licensure, and the Staff recommended that a license be granted to Tiger for the provision of natural gas service to residential, commercial and industrial customers in the WGL and CGV pilot programs.

Tiger did not file a response to the Staff Report.

NOW UPON CONSIDERATION of the application, the Staff Report, and the applicable law, the Commission finds that the Company's application to provide natural gas service should be granted. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) Tiger Natural Gas, Inc., hereby is granted license No. PG-16 to provide competitive natural gas service to residential, commercial and industrial customers in conjunction with retail access pilot programs of WGL and CGV. This license to act as a competitive service provider is granted subject to the provisions of the Interim Rules Governing Electric and

Natural Gas Retail Access Pilot Programs, 20 VAC 5-311-10 et seq. ("Interim Rules"), this Order, and other applicable statutes.

(2) This license shall expire upon termination of the respective pilot programs unless otherwise ordered by the Commission. This license is not valid authority for the provision of any product or service not identified within the license itself.

(3) Failure of Tiger to comply with the Interim Rules, the provisions of this Order, other State Corporation Commission orders and rules, or other applicable state or federal laws may result in an enforcement action by the Commission including, without limitation, the revocation, suspension, or modification of the license granted herein, the refusal to renew such licenses, the imposition of appropriate fines and penalties, or such other additional actions as may be necessary to protect the public interest.

(4) This case shall remain open for consideration of any subsequent amendments or modifications to this license.